(b) Of the 46 detention certificates issued by Customs during the period from 1-5-1986 to 31-3-1987, 30 certificates which qualified for exemption from demurrage charges, have been honoured.

(c) The monthly figures of demurrage charges collected at I.G.I. Airport from May, 1986 to March, 1987 are as follows:—

(Rs. in crores)

Month	Demurrage charges
May 86	0.28
June 86	0.66
July 86	0.92
August 86	1.11
September 86	1.10
October 86	1.28
November 86	1.18
December 86	1.19
January 87	1.11
February 87	1.03
March 87	1.24

Amendment in Dowry Prohibition Act

1168. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend the Dowry Prohibition Act 1961; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

Allegations against Principal, Regional Engineering College, Trichy

1169. SHRI K. G. MAHESWARAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received serious allegations against the Principal, Regional Engineering College, Trichy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any enquiry into these allegations has been undertaken; and

(d) if so, what are the findings of the enquiry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir; allegations have been received.

(b) The allegations relate to irregularities, acts of ommission and commission, abuse of power, nepotism etc. on the part of Principal.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. A one-man-Enquiry Committee consisting of Shri V. Srinivasan, Director of Technical Education, Madras has been set up by the State Government of Tamil Nadu to enquire into these allegations. The findings of the Committee are awaited.

Production of Electric Locos by Chittarajan Locomotive Works

1170. SHRI M. A. BABY:
SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Financial Express dated 7th February, 1987 regarding uncertainty over upgraded Chittaranjan Locomotive Works electric locos;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction in regard thereto and the steps Government are taking for the early production of electric locos by Chittranjan Locomotive Works?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The electric locomotives being manufactured at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works at present are of 3900 horse power. To update technology and uprate horse power 18 prototype electric locomotives of three types of 6000 horse power each have already been ordered and are expected to be received in 1988. Thereafter, tests and service trials for evaluation and selection of the most suitable type will be conducted.

As regards development of another family of electric locomotives with an intermediate horse power is concerned, the broad conceptual frame work for a 5000 horse power electric locomotive had been suggested by Chittaranjan Locomotive Works but this concept has not been concretised to the extent of final detailed design drawings or of inclusion in Chittaranjan Locomotive Works's production plan. The technical implications of such steps are constantly under review in the light of the latest development in technology and the time frame involved in the materialisation of the various options. For early production of electric locomotives by Chittaranjan Locomotive Works, capacity at their works is being increased progressively from 60 to 100 annually by 1988-89 in two phases.

Agreement with Delhi School Teachers

1171. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 28 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 15th April, 1987 and state:

(a) what agreement has been reached with the teachers of Delhi who were on strike recently;

(b) whether one of the conditions for calling off the strike by teachers was that there would be no victimisation;

(c) whether it is a fact that these school teachers have not yet been paid the salaries for the months of February and March, 1987;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and by when the salaries of the teachers are likely to be released; and

(e) what measures are contemplated to fulfil the assurances given to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) As per Delhi Administration and Municipal Corporation of Delhi, no written agreement was entered into with the teachers. However, an assurance was given by the Chief Executive Councillor to the striking teachers that there will be no victimisation.

(c) to (e) Teachers of NDMC have been paid salary for February and March earlier. Some of the striking teachers of MCD and Delhi Administration had not been paid their salaries for February/March, 1987. Orders for release of salaries have since been issued by Delhi Administration. The MCD follows the orders of Delhi Administration in these matters.

Clearance of Cargo at Indira Gandhi International Airport

1172. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state what are the monthly figures for the export and import of cargo handled at